RULES and ORDERS

OF THE

BROTHERHOOD

OF

MALSTERS,

IN THE

TOWN AND COUNTY

OF

NEWCASTLE UPON TYNE,

Reviſed, altered, and approved at their Head-Meeting Day, held on the 24th Day of June, 1796.

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Rules and Orders, &c.

SECTION I.

IT is ordered, that the Head-Meeting Day of this Brotherhood be yearly held on the 24th day of June, except the ſame fall on a Sunday, and in that caſe to be held on the Monday following; and for the better diſpatch of the buſineſs of this Brotherhood, it is further ordered that there ſhall be three Quarterly Meetings, over and beſides the Head-Meeting Day, held on the ſeveral days and times following, that is to ſay, the firſt Quarterly Meeting to be held on Monday next after the day of St Michael; the ſecond Quarterly Meeting on the Monday next after Chriſtmas Day; and the third Quarterly Meeting on the Monday next after Lady Day in every year; and in caſe any Brother ſhall be abſent, either on the Head-Meeting Day, or on any of the Quarter Days, (except he or they being ſo abſent, be ſick, or otherwiſe withheld by force, or in caſes of neceſſity to be

be adjudged of by the Twelve) after nine of the Clock in the Morning of any of the ſaid Quarter Days, or after the Liſt is begun to be called, he or they ſo abſent ſhall forfeit the ſum of Six-pence; or after nine of the Clock in the Morning of the Head-Meeting Day ſhall forfeit the ſum of Two Shillings and Six-pence.

II. It is alſo ordered, that no perſon or perſons whatever, ſave and except ſuch as ſhall have wrought and exerciſed the buſineſs of a Malſter in their own proper perſons with ſome one of this Brotherhood or Brother's widow for the ſpace of one year, or Malſters Sons, who before admittance, ſhall pay the ſum of Six Shillings for the uſe of this Brotherhood, the ſum of One Shilling to the Clerk, and the ſum of Sixpence to the Beadle as a perquiſite, over and beſides their ſalaries allowed them by this Brotherhood, ſhall be admitted into this Brotherhood, or have any benefit from the ſame.

III. It is alſo ordered, that if any Member of this Society ſpeak ſo as to make a noiſe, or hinder the buſineſs of the houſe, after being ordered, ſhall forfeit Six-pence for every ſuch offence.

IV. It is alſo ordered, that if any Mem-

Member or Members of this Brotherhood, or any for his or their uſe, or by his or their order, ſhall at any time or times hereafter offer to take or bid any rent for any Malting rented by and in the poſſeſſion of any Brother to his injury or damage, unleſs ſuch Brother has given notice to his Landlord, or his Landlord has given notice to him, in order to give the ſame up, ſhall forfeit for every ſuch offence committed, on good proof produced, the ſum of Five Pounds of lawful Britiſh money, to be mitigated by the Twelve.

V. It is alſo ordered, that no Member of this Brotherhood ſhall at any time hire or retain any perſon or perſons not having firſt ſerved and wrought in a Malting a whole ſeaſon in that part of Great Britain called England, without firſt paying into this Brotherhood, for the uſe of the ſame, the ſum of Five Shillings.

VI. It is alſo ordered, in order for the better regulation of this Brotherhood, and for the ſpeedy management of the buſineſs thereof, that the preſent Stewards and their ſucceſſors ſhall yearly and every year pay or cauſe to be paid unto *Robert Young*, Attorney at Law, for his

his ſalary as a Clerk to this Brotherhood, Two Pounds Two Shillings of lawful Britiſh money in full for his attendance at our ſeveral Quarterly Meetings, and making and entering all orders and names, and making up the accounts of this Brotherhood: the firſt ſalary to be paid on the 24th Day of June next, or on the day that our firſt Head-Meeting ſhall fall on. And alſo that the Stewards and their ſucceſſors ſhall alſo yearly on the ſaid Head-Meeting Day, pay or cauſe to be paid unto *George Ancherlong*, Yeoman, the ſum of One Pound of like lawful money in full for his ſalary as a Beadle to this Brotherhood, and his ſucceſſors alſo, one pair of Shoes in the year, and a Coat in two years, over and above other perquiſites; which ſaid two ſeveral ſums be ſo paid out of the fund of this Brotherhood.

VII. It is alſo ordered, that if any Brother ſhall at any time take God's name in vain, or ſwear, or get himſelf intoxicated with any ſort of liquors, ſhall forfeit for every ſuch offence the ſum of One Shilling unforgiven. And if any Brother ſhall at any time ſpeak any unbrotherly words of another, or call him by a nick-name, ſhall forfeit for every

every ſuch offence the ſum of Six-pence. Or if any Brother or Brothers ſhall lift his hand to another with an intention to ſtrike, hurt, maim, or bruiſe, or threaten to do ſo, ſhall forfeit for every ſuch offence the ſum of Six Shillings and Eight-pence unforgiven.

VIII. It is alſo ordered, that if any Brother or Brother's wife ſhall happen to die, every Member of this Brotherhood, living within the walls of this Corporation of Newcaſtle upon Tyne, having firſt had notice left him the day before by the Beadle, ſhall attend at the funeral of ſuch Brother or Brother's wife ſo dying, on default whereof ſhall pay One Shilling unforgiven.

IX. It is alſo ordered, that if any Member or Members of this Brotherhood ſhall at any time or times hereafter, diſcover, diſcloſe, or make known the ſecret buſineſs of this Brotherhood to its prejudice, that then he or they ſo offending, ſhall forfeit the ſum of Two Shillings and Six-pence unforgiven.

X. It is alſo ordered, for the better couragement of every of the Me of this Society, that no perſon ſons whatever ſhall be recommen make any Malt to any perſon or p

in the country by this Society, or any Member thereof, except he or they ſo to be recommended be a Member of this Society, under the penalty of Six Shillings and Eight-pence unforgiven.

XI. It is alſo ordered, that if any Member or Members be ſick and neceſſitous, and thereby rendered incapable of maintaining himſelf or family, and upon one full week's notice to the Stewards of this Brotherhood or either of them, of ſuch Member or Members being ſo ſick and neceſſitous, that then and from and immediately after ſuch notice, and the Stewards or either of them being ſatisfied therein, they the ſaid Stewards or either of them, ſhall pay or cauſe to be paid unto ſuch ſick or neceſſitous Member weekly and every week, for the ſpace of twenty-ſix weeks, the ſum of Five Shillings of lawful Britiſh money. And if it ſhall happen that ſuch Brother ſhall ſtill continue ſick or neceſſitous any longer than ſix months, that then and in [illegible] caſe the Stewards are hereby or[illegible]d to pay him weekly and every [illegible] for the ſpace of ſix months longer, [illegible]a of Three Shillings only until his [illegible]ry.

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upon the death of any Brother or Brother's widow, if ſhe die his widow and without marrying to any other after his deceaſe, that then the Stewards are hereby ordered to diſburſe and pay for and towards the burial of each and every ſuch Brother and Brother's widow ſo dying, the full Sum of Four Pounds of lawful Britiſh money. And further alſo, that if a Brother ſhall happen to leave a widow, or no widow, but a child or children, then the Stewards are hereby ordered to pay to ſuch widow, or for want of ſuch widow, to ſuch child, or if more than one, then to the eldeſt of ſuch children, in order to ſupport him or her, as well as the younger child or children, the full and juſt ſum of Six Pounds of lawful Britiſh money. And if it ſhall happen that ſuch Member or Members ſhall die without leaving a widow, child, or children, that then and in ſuch caſe the Stewards are hereby ordered to pay ſuch ſum of Six Pounds to ſuch perſon or perſons as ſuch deceaſed Brother ſhall bequeath the ſame by his laſt will and teſtament; and in caſe of no will, then to his legal repreſentative. And further alſo and it is hereby ordered, that all and every the above mentioned ſum or ſums

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of money ſhall be ſo paid and ſatisfied out of the fund of this Brotherhood on every Quarter Day and not before, ſave the weekly payments: Provided always nevertheleſs and it is hereby ordered, that if it ſhall happen that ſuch Brother ſo dying or being neceſſitous, ſhall not have been a Brother or neceſſitous of this Brotherhood for the ſpace of two years next preceeding his death, or not paid up all his Fines or ſums of money upon him ordered to be paid into this Society for the ſupport of the fund of the ſame, or not paid into this Brotherhood eight Quarterly Payments for the ſupport of the Fund, that then and in ſuch caſes, ſuch Brother ſhall not be paid by or receive of or from this Brotherhood any ſum or ſums of money by way of relief, ſupport, or otherwiſe, ſave what he ſhall be entitled to by the Articles before mentioned, and that only in the diſcretion of the Stewards, ſave and except Four Pounds towards the funeral of ſuch Brother. Whereas by the next preceeding Order, it is therein ordered that ſeveral ſums ſhall be paid by this Company in caſe of ſickneſs, death, or impotency; to ſupport which, and keep up the Fund of this Brotherhood,

hood, it is ordered that the Quarterly Payments of Two Shillings and Sixpence by each Member of this Brotherhood heretofore ordered to be paid, and have been paid accordingly, are from henceforth to ceaſe, that the order made therein, ſo far as relates to ſuch payment, be utterly void; and inſtead thereof, it is ordered that every Member of this Brotherhood ſhall pay into the ſame the ſum of Three Shillings and Sixpence a Quarter, on each and every of the Quarter Meeting Days, and that the ſame ſhall be paid at the call over the Liſt of the names of the Members of this Brotherhood, under forfeiture and pain as heretofore ordered by this Society.

XIII. It is ordered, that if any Brother of this Brotherhood ſhall at any time be ſick or indiſpoſed, ſo as to be needful and deſirous of any benefit from this Society, that then and in ſuch caſe, each of the Stewards for the time being ſhall viſit him or them ſo being ſick week and week about; and after they have ſo viſited the ſick, each a week, then the Twelve of this Society ſhall alſo each and every of them viſit ſuch ſick by turns, (viz.) week and week about, until

til the ſaid Twelve have viſited each a week, when the Stewards ſhall take their turn, and ſo alternately the Stewards and Twelve until ſuch ſick perſon or perſons ſhall be quite recovered.

XIV. And it is alſo ordered, that if any Member or Members of this Society, after having been fairly and duly elected by the majority of this Society to ſerve as Stewards for any one year, ſhall refuſe to ſerve accordingly, he or they ſo refuſing ſhall forfeit to this Society's Fund the Sum of Two Shillings and Six-pence unforgiven; and in ſuch caſe the Company ſhall go on to elect one or more to ſerve inſtead of ſuch perſon or perſons ſo refuſing.

XV. Whereas by the ſixth Rule or order made by this Company, it is ordered that no Member of this Brotherhood ſhould hire any perſon or perſons not having firſt duly ſerved in a Malting a whole year in ſome part of Great Britain, without paying Five Shillings into the Brotherhood for the ſame, and One Shilling to the Clerk for entering the ſame: And whereas the ſame hath been found vaſtly inconvenient, it is therefore ordered inſtead thereof, that no Member or Brother of this Society

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ſhall hire or retain any perſon or perſons to work with him or them as a Maltman, (except ſuch perſon or perſons ſo hired or retained, ſhall have firſt duly ſerved ſome Brother or Brother's widow carrying on the Trade) in this Brotherhood for one whole ſeaſon, without paying into this Company or Society for the uſe of the Fund thereof, for each perſon ſo to be hired, Five Shillings.

XVI. It is ordered that one maſter of the Brotherhood of Malſters ſhall not hire a ſervant of another maſter, without firſt enquiring of the ſaid ſervant's maſter if he is willing to part with him, under the penalty of Ten Shillings.

XVII. It is ordered that the Twelve for the time being, upon notice given to them by the Beadle of the Society by the direction of the Stewards for the time being, or the one of them to him for that purpoſe given, ſhall from time to time meet at the Meeting-Houſe of the ſaid Society, in order for the better diſpatching of the Cinder Oven buſineſs, ſettling the accounts relating thereto, and other buſineſs relating to the ſaid Society, (except ſuch of them as ſhall be abſent from home, or have

ſome other cauſe or excuſe to be allowed of by the ſaid Stewards,) under the penalty of One Shilling each unforgiven.

XVIII. It is ordered that the Stewards ſhall not act in any reſpect (except in the payment of ſick money) without the conſent of the Twelve, or the major part of them; and that the Stewards, when any Member is ſick, ſhall declare the ſame to the Twelve, and that the Twelve ſhall go by rotation once a week to viſit ſuch ſick Member, on forfeiture of One Shilling a piece for each failure.

XIX. It is ordered that each Member ſhall pay Two-pence each Quarter for drink, and Two-pence for each funeral, to be ſpent in the houſe where the Box is depoſited, and the Company to meet in the Club-room at the time appointed for each funeral, under a fine of One Shilling, but not to extend to country Members.

XX. It is unanimouſly ordered and agreed, that the Twelve be choſen by rotation, and that ſuch of the Members as ſhall refuſe to ſerve, to pay the ſum of Six-pence on the firſt Quarter Day following for ſuch refuſal.

XXI.

XXI. It is unanimouſly agreed and ordered, that in future no perſon ſhall be admitted into this Brotherhood but who is under or of the age of Thirty Years; and ſuch perſon before ſuch admittance ſhall have ſerved a Maſter Malt-maker or Brewer for one year, and proof thereof to be made to the ſatisfaction of the Company.

XXII. It is ordered that the Stewards ſhall in future be choſen by rotation, under the penalty of Two Shillings and Six-pence each Member refuſing to ſerve that office.

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